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- SCHMIDT, A. *Geschichte des englischen Geldwesens im 17. und 18. Jahrhundert.* (Strassburg: Trübner. 1914. 7 M.)
- SIEGFRIED, A. *Democracy in New Zealand.* Translated from the French by E. V. BURNS. (New York: Macmillan. 1914. Pp. 23, 398. \$1.75.)
- SNODGRASS, J. H. *Russia. A handbook on commercial and industrial conditions.* Special consular reports, 61. (Washington. 1913. Pp. 255.)
- THUYSBAERT, P. *Het land van Waes. Bijdrage tot de geschiedenis der landelijke bevolking in de XIX<sup>e</sup> eeuw.* (Courtrai: Vermaut. 1914. Pp. 328.)
- VACHER DE LAPOUGE, C. *Necker économiste.* (Paris: Rivière. 1914. Pp. 316.)
- VIGNERON, H. *La science et l'industrie en 1913.* (Paris: Geisler. 1913. Pp. 224, 77 diagrams. 5 fr.)
- WRONG, G., LANGSTON, H., and WALLACE, W. S., editors. *Review of historical publications relating to Canada. Volume XVIII for the year 1913.* (Toronto: The University of Toronto. 1914. Pp. xiv, 245. \$1.50.)
- Pages 146-185 of this useful annual cover the topics of geography, economics, and statistics; the more important publications are summarized and criticised in signed reviews, and others are noticed briefly.
- ZIMMERMANN, E. *Was ist uns Zentralafrika?* (Berlin: Mittler. 1914. Pp. 57, illus. 3 M.)
- Royal Commission on the natural resources, trade, and legislation of certain portions of His Majesty's Dominions: second interim report.* Cd. 7210. (London: Wyman. 1s.)
- Relates to Australia and New Zealand.

## Agriculture, Mining, Forestry, and Fisheries

### NEW BOOKS

- COLLINGS, J. *The colonization of rural Britain. A complete scheme for the regeneration of British rural life.* (London: Rural World Pub. Co. 1914. Pp. 607. 10s. 6d.)
- GIBSON, A. H. *Natural sources of energy.* Cambridge manuals of science and literature. (New York: Putnams. 1913. Pp. vi, 131. 40c.)

The work of Professor Gibson naturally discusses the extent and distribution of fossil fuels, but is concerned more largely with possible substitutes for these sources of power, such as solar and internal heat, vegetation, wind, water, and tidal power. In general it forms a convenient summary, though the maps abound in glaring

inaccuracies. For example, the oil map (p. 8) shows no deposits at Los Angeles, but has fields distributed through Europe and Asia with indiscriminate regularity. Still worse is the precipitation map (p. 66) which represents California as humid, but Oregon and Washington as arid.

E. V. R.

GREELY, A. W. *Handbook of Alaska; its resources, products and attractions*. New edition. (New York: Scribner. 1914. Pp. 32, 280. \$2.)

HERMES, A. *Zur Kenntnis der argentinischen Landwirtschaft*. (Berlin: Parey. 1913. Pp. viii, 311. 6.50 M.)

"HOME COUNTIES" (J. W. ROBERTSON SCOTT). *The land problem. An impartial survey*. (London: Collins' Clear-Type Press. 1913. Pp. 264. 1s.)

The land problem in the conception of it here set forth is chiefly a problem of the agricultural laborer—a problem of wages and education, as to which relief must be sought in schools of a better type and in the establishment of minimum wages through legislation and trade unions. In justification for the fixed minimum of wages Mr. Scott argues that farmers, being forced to pay higher wages, would endeavor to show more thoughtful economy and better organization. Schools, it is suggested, might be improved by treating the schoolmaster and schoolmistress with the respect shown them in Denmark and Holland, by consolidating the schools of neighboring small parishes, by an effort to teach not merely agriculture but living—through schools of general, not technical, training like those of Denmark which receive young people just under and over twenty.

Most of the plans now fashionable for the improvement of English agriculture are here given, at most, rather cautious approval. It is pointed out that imitation of continental method is frequently impossible because of unlike historical, social, and geographical conditions. Thus butter making for English farmers is not to be recommended when it is more profitable to sell milk in London. The flourishing dairy industry of parts of Holland, again, is due to the fact that excessive moisture in the soil there makes it impossible to raise anything but grass.

Like the more rational of writers in America, Mr. Robertson Scott also sees the limitation of the back-to-the-land agitation in the fact that farming is highly technical and difficult. He shows again admirably that "the magic of ownership" may be less for a man of small means than the practical advantages of tenancy, which leaves his capital free for supplying equipment and himself free to pass from the occupation of a small to a larger holding as he continues to prosper.

A. P. WINSTON.

VON JACKOWSKI, T. *Der Bauernbesitz in der Provinz Posen*. Volkswirtschaftliche und wirtschaftsgeschichtliche Abhandlungen, 7. (Leipzig: Veit. 1914. Pp. viii, 154. 4.50 M.)

LAMOUROUX, L. *Les syndicats agricoles, leur oeuvre coopérative et la mutualité agricole dans le Bourbonnais*. (Paris: Ollier-Henry. 1914. Pp. 184. 4 fr.)

LEA, J. J. *Lea's cotton book, containing a statistical history of the American cotton crop (from 1875-76 to 1912-13, inclusive) with addenda*. (New Orleans: Hauser Prg. Co. 1914. Pp. 124, illus. \$2.)

LENNARD, R. *Economic notes on English agricultural wages*. (New York: Macmillan. 1914.)

McINNES, W.; DOWLING, D. B.; and LEACH, W. W., editors. *The coal resources of the world*. Three volumes. (Toronto: Morang. 1913. Pp. civ, 1149; maps, 68 pp. \$25.)

An inquiry made upon the initiative of the executive committee of the Twelfth International Geological Congress, Canada, 1913, with the assistance of geological surveys and mining geologists of different countries.

MOON, F. F. and BROWN, N. C. *Elements of forestry*. (New York: Wiley. 1914.)

PERLMANN, L. *Bewegung der Weizenpreise und ihre Ursachen*. (Munich: Duncker & Humblot. 1914. Pp. 73.)

RAINE, G. E. *Lloyd George and the land*. (London: Allen. 1914. 6d.)

RUSSELL, E. J. *The fertility of the soil*. Cambridge manuals of science and literature. (New York: Putnams. 1914. Pp. 128. 40c.)

Contains the substance of university extension lectures given to persons practically interested in the use of the soil; and includes interesting material on the development of English agriculture.

SCHULZ, A. *Zur Agrartheorie und Politik der deutschen Sozialdemokratie*. (Munich: Steinicke. 1914. 1s.)

SOUCHON, A. *La crise de la main-d'oeuvre agricole en France*. (Paris: Rousseau. 1914. Pp. 554. 12 fr.)

TEN EYCK, A. M. *Wheat; a practical discussion of the raising, marketing, handling and use of the wheat crop, relating largely to the great plains region of the United States and Canada*. (Lincoln, Nebr.: Campbell Soil Culture Pub. Co. 1914. Pp. 194, illus. \$1.50.)

THOMAS, E. H. and DIXON, H. M. *A farm-management survey of three representative areas in Indiana, Illinois, and Iowa*. Department bulletin 41. (Washington: Bureau of Plant Industry. 1914. Pp. 42. 10c.)

TODD, J. A. *The world's cotton crops*. (London: Black. 1914. Illus. 7s. 6d.)

*Board of agriculture and fisheries: agricultural statistics, 1912*. Part

V. *Colonial and foreign statistics. With index to the whole volume for 1912 (Vol. XLVII).* Cd. 7271. (London: Wyman. 1914. 7s. 6d.)

Mr. Rew's report, which introduces this volume, compares the productivity of the principal European countries and investigates how far the world's agriculture is meeting the increased demand for its products.

*The Labour party and the agricultural problem. With reports of visits to Ireland and Denmark.* (London: The Labour Party. 1914. 3d.)

*The land. Report of the land enquiry committee.* Vol. II. *Urban.* (London: Hodder & Stoughton. 1914. Pp. 760. 1s.)

*Memorandum and statistical tables showing the production and consumption of iron ore and pig iron, and the production of steel in the United Kingdom and the principal foreign countries in recent years, and the imports and exports of certain classes of iron and steel manufactures. In continuation of Parliamentary Paper No. 402 of 1912-13.* H. of C. 284. (London: Wyman. 1914. 7d.)

*Report of the Scottish departmental committee on the North Sea fishing industry.* Part I. Cd. 7221. (London: Wyman. 1914. 3s. 1d.)

*United States vacant lands, located by states, territories, districts and counties, with brief description by counties. How to secure lands by homestead entry and purchase. Revised for 1914. United States system of surveys review and purchase. Irrigation projects finished, under way and contemplated.* (St. Paul, Minn.: Webb Pub. Co. 1914. Pp. 106. 25c.)

*Le marché des céréales d'Anvers.* Publications du Bureau de la Statistique Générale, 2. (Rome: Institute International d'Agriculture. 1913. Pp. vi, 64.)

*Die deutsche Landwirtschaft.* (Berlin: Puttkammer & Muhlbrecht. 1913. Pp. 279. 1.50 M.)

Aims to present a complete though condensed statistical survey of German agriculture.

### Manufacturing Industries

*The Cutlery Trades.* By G. I. H. LLOYD. (New York: Longmans, Green and Company. 1913. Pp. xvi, 493, illus. \$3.50.)

The purpose of this work is to trace the evolution of the cutlery industry in Sheffield. In the introductory chapter the various stages in industrial evolution, as illustrated by other industries, are outlined. But the plan thus proposed for the investigation of the history of the Sheffield industry is not completely followed